

International Summer School

Student Course

July 6-19, 2025

Teacher Course

July 13-19, 2025



Genevieve Penn Nabity Principal with National Ballet of Canada
Photography by Karolina Kuras

CECCHETTI COUNCIL OF AMERICA



Guest Faculty

Shelby Moran
Amarantos
Cori Callahan
Fiona Cameron-Martin
Matthew Farmer
Michael Fothergill
Catherine Garrett
Fothergill
Kimmary Williams

Cecchetti Faculty

CCA Faculty will be selected from the National Executive Board and Board of Examiners

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Curriculum

Classical Ballet, Pointe, Variations, Contemporary, Performance Workshop, as well as other dance styles and physical conditioning.

Dancers of all levels will participate daily in two ballet technique classes, one dance related class, and one performance rehearsal. As part of the program, upper levels will receive pointe and variations.

All classical ballet classes will be accompanied by accomplished pianists. All students will have the opportunity to participate in a Pizza Party/ Talent Show.

Housing & Supervision

Students requesting on campus housing must be 11 years old by December 1, 2025.

Adult supervised housing, in a **non-air conditioned** student dorm, will be provided for dancers on the campus of Hope College. A full nutritional meal plan with three meals per day is provided. The Residence Hall is within walking distance of all classes and provides double rooms and laundry facilities. **Hope College has discontinued its linen service for the student summer school.** All students will be chaperoned by adult counselors throughout the Course.

Summer School Cost:

Tuition: \$1,000, Room: \$630, Meals: \$620, Student Total: \$2,250

Transportation is available to and from the Grand Rapids airport. The additional fees for this service must be included in the final payment. Transportation fees are non-refundable for any reason.

Scholarships

Scholarship auditions are open to all student course participants. A \$20.00 audition fee is payable the day of registration. Presentation of scholarship recipients will be made at the special awards ceremony Friday, July 18, 2025.



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Student Scholarships

Scholarships are available for the 2025 Summer School, call 586-419-0370 or email lmcastudio@gmail.com for further information.

Performance

The Summer School culminates with a free public performance on Saturday, July 19, 2025, at the Knickerbocker Theatre, Holland, MI.

Acceptance Requirements

Participants are expected to be outstanding students of dance. By signing the application, the sponsoring teacher recommends the applicant for our program. Students must maintain the highest standard of conduct at all times.

Application must be completed indicating years of serious training; number of ballet classes currently taking per week; and, if applicable, the last CCA exam passed.

Two 4x6 photographs in solid colored leotard and pink or flesh tone tights must accompany application. Photographs must show two poses: tendu a terre to the second position (arms in second) and first arabesque. Photographs will be used to assess applicants for acceptance and level placement.

Final class placement will be determined by Class Placement Adjudicators and according to the dancers' demonstrated ability in an adjudicated class. Adjudicators' class placement decisions are final and are not subject to discussion.

Make checks payable to:
Cecchetti Council of America

***Fill in application form
& mail with payment to:***
Cecchetti Council of America
45819 Winthrop
Macomb, MI 48044

***If further information
is required:***

For quickest reply to
inquiry, please email
wjmerkle@comcast.net
Call 586-495-1433 or
visit www.cecchetti.org



TEACHER SEMINAR ~ July 13-19, 2025

Cecchetti Council of America welcomes all teachers to our seminar to explore, learn, and study the Cecchetti Method of ballet training. The Cecchetti Method offers teachers a balanced and analyzed system of theory and execution for the planned development of the ballet student from the first lesson to the professional levels. Taught by guest faculty and CCA Examiners, classes and lectures will encompass CCA student levels (Primaries and I-IV) as well as the professional Cecchetti syllabi (Elementary, Intermediate, Advanced, and Diploma).

All teachers can learn and share knowledge in a positive and friendly atmosphere provided by the CCA and Hope College. The seminar is devoted to the art of teaching with emphasis placed on developing technique and the quality of movement, body placement, and style.

Teacher Seminar Cost:

Teacher member and assistants: \$800

Tuition non-members: \$900

Room at Cook Hall (6 nights, double occupancy): \$510

Hope College does not offer linen service. All attendees staying in Cook Hall must bring their own sheets, pillows, blankets, and towels

Hope College and CCA do not provide transportation to and from Grand Rapids airport. Reservations can be made with local transportation services.

Teacher Scholarships

Applications for available teacher scholarships can be found at www.cecchetti.org/teachers/teacher-scholarship-opportunities



Student Course Application Form • July 6-19, 2025

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: () _____ Birth Date _____ Gender Female Male

Parent's Name _____ Parent's E-mail _____

Sponsoring Teacher's Name (printed) _____ (signed) _____

Phone: () _____

Years of Ballet Training _____ # of Ballet Classes/week _____ Circle CCA exam passed 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

Include two 4x6 photographs (required).

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Student Tuition | \$1,000.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> I will not require housing | A \$200.00 non-refundable deposit is due by April 1, 2025. Final payment is due by June 1, 2025. Program size is limited. Register Early. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Non-air-cond. Room | \$630.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> I will not require meals | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Meals (2 weeks) | \$620.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> I will require airport transportation | |

Total Program Cost \$2,250.00

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Teachers and students may now apply online at www.cecchetti.org

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Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: () _____ E-mail _____

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| <input type="checkbox"/> CCA Member Teacher | \$800.00 | Member's Name: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Member Teacher | \$900.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> I will not require housing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cook Hall (6 nights, double occupancy)* | \$510.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> I will not require meals |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Meals (6 days) | \$300.00 | |

A \$200.00 non-refundable deposit is due by May 1, 2025. Final payment is due by June 1, 2025. For daily or single occupancy rate please email: wjmerk@comcast.net

Hope College has discontinued linen service and the Shuttle Service from the airport.